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## APPLICATION OF

### VIRGINIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

**CASE NO. PUE990677** 

For a general increase in rates

# **HEARING EXAMINER'S RULING**

May 25, 2000

Pursuant to the Commission Order for Notice and Hearing dated February 3, 2000, and Hearing Examiner's Ruling dated February 11, 2000, this application was set for hearing and a procedural schedule was established. On May 22, 2000, Virginia-American Water Company ("Virginia-American" or "the Company"), by counsel, filed a Motion for Extension of Procedural Dates. The Motion sets forth new procedural dates. In support of the Motion, counsel states that the parties believe the proposed new schedule will better accommodate the discovery process and creation of testimony and allow the development of a more complete record in this proceeding. On May 24, 2000, the Company filed an Amended Motion for Extension of Procedural Dates which changed the hearing date previously proposed.

Upon consideration of the Motions, I find the Amended Motion for Extension of Procedural Dates filed by Virginia-American should be granted. Accordingly,

### IT IS DIRECTED THAT:

- (1) The scheduled hearing on July 18, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's Courtroom, Second Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia shall be retained to receive public comments;
  - (2) Protestants shall file their testimony and exhibits on or before July 21, 2000;
- (3) The Commission's Staff shall file its testimony and exhibits on or before August 14, 2000;
- (4) The Company shall file its rebuttal testimony and exhibits on or before August 28, 2000; and
- (5) The evidentiary hearing will be convened at 10:00 a.m. on September 18, 2000, in the Commission's Courtroom, Second Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia.

Deborah V. Ellenberg
Chief Hearing Examiner